

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

### **Listing of Claims**

Claims 1-11 (canceled).

12. (new) An image recording method for recording image information on a recording medium, comprising the step of:

at a time of recording image information on the recording medium, executing at least one substep of:

setting so as not to execute a verify mode,

setting so as not to execute a re-reading operation, and

setting so as not to execute an automatic defect exchange function.

13. (new) An image recording/reproducing method for recording image information on a recording medium and for reproducing the image information thus recorded, comprising the steps of:

at a time of recording image information on the recording medium, executing at least one substep of:

setting so as not to execute a verify mode,

setting so as not to execute a re-reading operation, and

setting so as not to execute an automatic defect exchange function; and

at a time of reading for every frame the image information thus recorded on the recording medium in said executing step and displaying the image information

thus read on a monitor, preventing a frame of the image information with a read error being read again when the frame of the image information is read out of the recording medium, preventing the frame of the image information with a read error being displayed on the monitor, and continuously displaying on the monitor as it is a frame of image information having been read just before the frame of the image information with a read error.

14. (new) An image recording method for recording image information on a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

selecting, of a recording region on the recording medium secured by an operating system, only a recording region to be handled on a unit basis being added with an error correction code at a time of reading; and

writing one frame or plural frames of image information on the recording region thus selected at every recording region of one unit or plural units being added with the error correction code.

15. (new) An image recording method according to claim 14, wherein the step of selecting includes the substep of:

as to each of physically continuous regions within the recording region thus secured, obtaining a start sector by performing round-up calculation using a multiple of the unit being added with the error correction code and obtaining an end sector by performing round-down calculation using the multiple of the unit being added with the error correction code.

16. (new) An image recording method according to claim 15, wherein the step of selecting includes the substep of:

securing in advance a recording region of a predetermined size for recording the image information on the recording medium by using the operating system, thereby not to cause a recording region securing processing at a time of arbitrarily writing image information.

17. (new) An image recording apparatus for recording image information on a recording medium, comprising:

an image recording unit for recording image information on the recording medium; and

a recording control unit for, at a time of recording image information on the recording medium, setting so as not to execute a verify mode, setting so as not to execute a re-reading operation, or setting so as not to execute an automatic defect exchange function.

18. (new) An image recording/reproducing apparatus for recording image information on a recording medium and for reproducing the image information thus recorded, comprising:

a recording control unit for, at a time of recording image information on the recording medium, setting so as not to execute a verify mode, setting so as not to

execute a re-reading operation, or setting so as not to execute an automatic defect exchange function; and

a reproducing control unit for, at a time of reading for every frame the image information recorded on the recording medium by the recording control unit and displaying the image information thus read on a monitor, preventing a frame of the image information with a read error being read again when the frame of the image information is read out of the recording medium, preventing the frame of the image information with a read error being displayed on the monitor, and continuously displaying on the monitor as it is a frame of image information having been read just before the frame of the image information with a read error.

19. (new) An image recording apparatus for recording image information on a recording medium, comprising:

a recording region selecting unit for selecting, of a recording region on the recording medium secured by an operating system, only a recording region to be handled on a unit basis being added with an error correction code at a time of reading; and

an image information writing unit for writing one frame or plural frames of image information on the recording region selected by the recording region selecting unit at every recording region of one unit or plural units being added with the error correction code.

20. (new) An image recording apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the recording region selecting unit includes a unit for, as to each of physically continuous regions within the recording region thus secured, obtaining a start sector by performing round-up calculation using a multiple of the unit being added with the error correction code and obtaining an end sector by performing round-down calculation using the multiple of the unit being added with the error correction code.

21. (new) An image recording apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the recording region selecting unit includes a unit for securing in advance a recording region of a predetermined size for recording the image information on the recording medium by using the operating system thereby not to cause a recording region securing processing at a time of arbitrarily writing image information.